

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Currently amended) A display apparatus comprising: as claimed in claim 1,  
a casing having an opening;  
a display panel, which is housed inside of the casing and has an image display region  
facing to the opening;  
a protecting panel for closing the opening; the protecting panel being held in such a  
manner that a marginal portion of the protecting panel is pressed against at least one of the  
display panel and the casing; and  
wherein holding members for holding the protecting panel therein, wherein the holding  
members are fixed to the casing, and the protecting panel is held in such a manner that the  
marginal portion of the protecting panel is retained between the casing and the holding members,  
the marginal portion is held via a restorative member having flexibility, and  
the restorative member is a foam, and a surface of the foam in contact with the marginal  
portion is bonded to the marginal portion.
3. (Currently amended) A display apparatus comprising: as claimed in claim 1,  
a casing having an opening;  
a display panel, which is housed inside of the casing and has an image display region  
facing to the opening; and  
a protecting panel for closing the opening; the protecting panel being held in such a  
manner that a marginal portion of the protecting panel is pressed against at least one of the  
display panel and the casing.

wherein the marginal portion of the protecting panel is retained between the display panel and the casing,

the marginal portion of the protecting panel is held via a restorative member having flexibility, and

the restorative member is a foam, the foam is in contact with one of the marginal portion and the panel frame, and is bonded to only one of the respective marginal portion and panel frame.

4-5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently amended) A display apparatus as claimed in claim 3 [[5]], wherein the restorative member is interposed between the marginal portion of the protecting panel and the display panel, and the image display region of the display panel is shielded by the restorative member and the protecting panel.

7. (Currently amended) A display apparatus as claimed in claim 3 [[6]], wherein the display panel is provided with a display panel body having the image display region and a panel frame for holding the outer periphery of the display panel body, and further, the restorative member is interposed between the marginal portion of the protecting panel and the panel frame.

8. (Canceled)